

PREFACE

The evolution of weaponry establishes a continuing need to develop and refine methods and techniques of employing weapon systems to maximize their potential.

For the next several years, units will be in various stages of transition to Division 86 organizations. This manual updates the tactics, techniques, and operational procedures for the mechanized infantry platoon and squad equipped with the armored personnel carrier M113 but organized under the J-series tables of organization and equipment (TOE). It is also the squad and platoon manual for mechanized infantry operation under the H-series TOE with special considerations. These considerations, arising from the different structures, are highlighted in appendix A. The fundamental tactics, techniques, and operational procedures remain consistent for units operating under either organization.